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1048AM URGENT 6/5/68 ELR

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, JUNE FIVE, SIXTYEIGHT.

AN ASSAILANT, AS YET UNIDENTIFIED BUT WHO IS IN CUSTODY OF LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, ATTEMPTED THE ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY AT TWELVE FIFTEEN A.M., TODAY, IN THE BALLROOM OF THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. THE FBI IS RENDERING ALL POSSIBLE INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES, INCLUDING THE SERVICES OF THE FBI LABORATORY AND IDENTIFICATION DIVISION. IF YOU RECEIVE ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER, THE BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES SHOULD BE EXPEDITIOUSLY ADVISED AND ALL NECESSARY INVESTIGATION IMMEDIATELY INITIATED. NO COMMENT SHOULD BE MADE TO THE PRESS WITH RESPECT TO THE QUESTION OF FBI JURISDICTION EXCEPT THAT THE FBI IS RENDERING ASSISTANCE AS INDICATED ABOVE.

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File No. 44-564-18'

Date Received 6-17-68

From Los Angeles
(NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

(CITY AND STATE)

By Mrs (Serial # 17)
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☐ No

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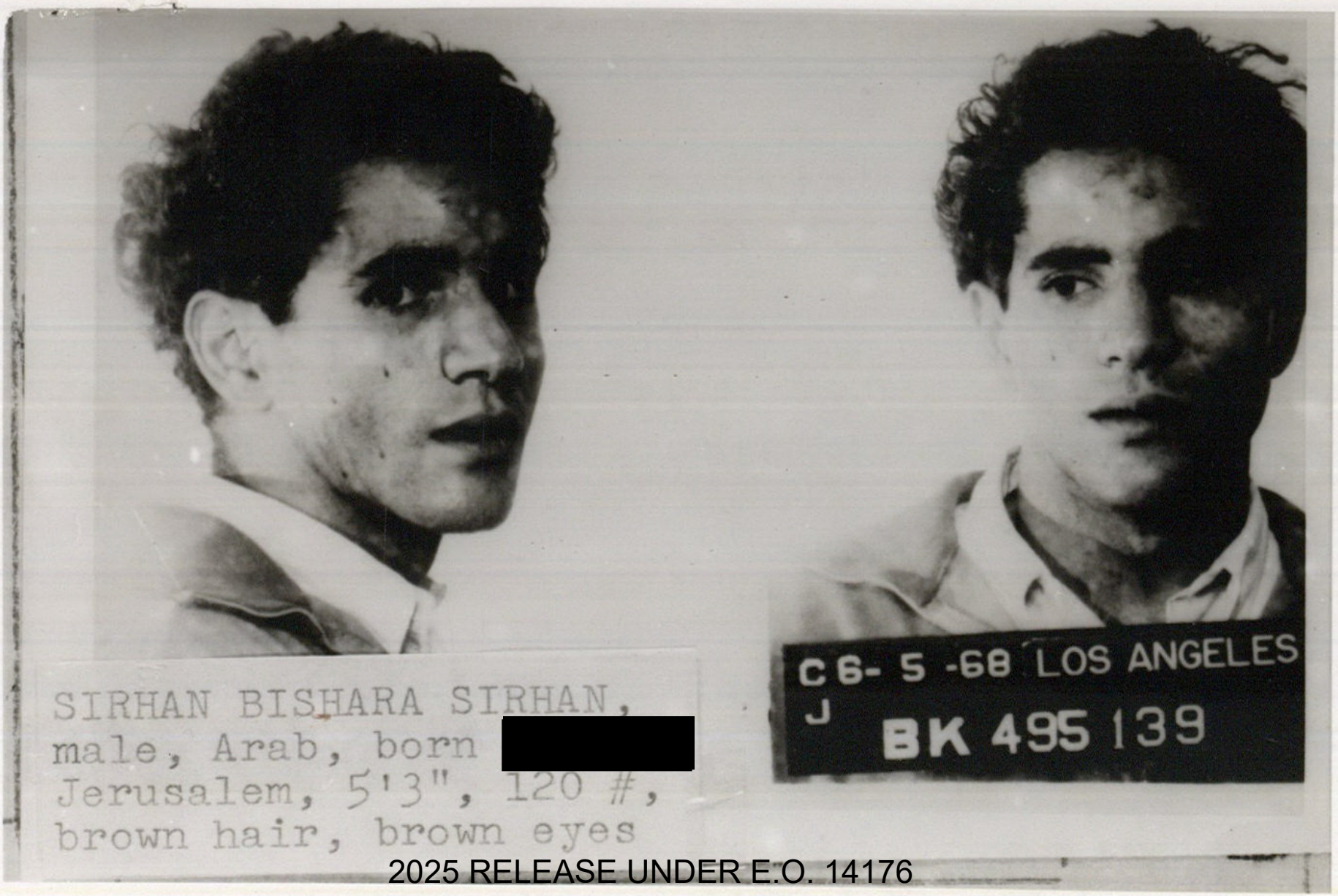

SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN,
male, Arab, born [redacted]
Jerusalem, 5'3", 120 #,
brown hair, brown eyes

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Date Received 6-7-68

From Dudley L. Deadle
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(ADDRESS OF CONTRIBUTOR)

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To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☒ No

Receipt given ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Samir M. Khalaf
A. S. P.

ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY

3630 W. PINE BLVD.
ST. LOUIS, MO. 63108

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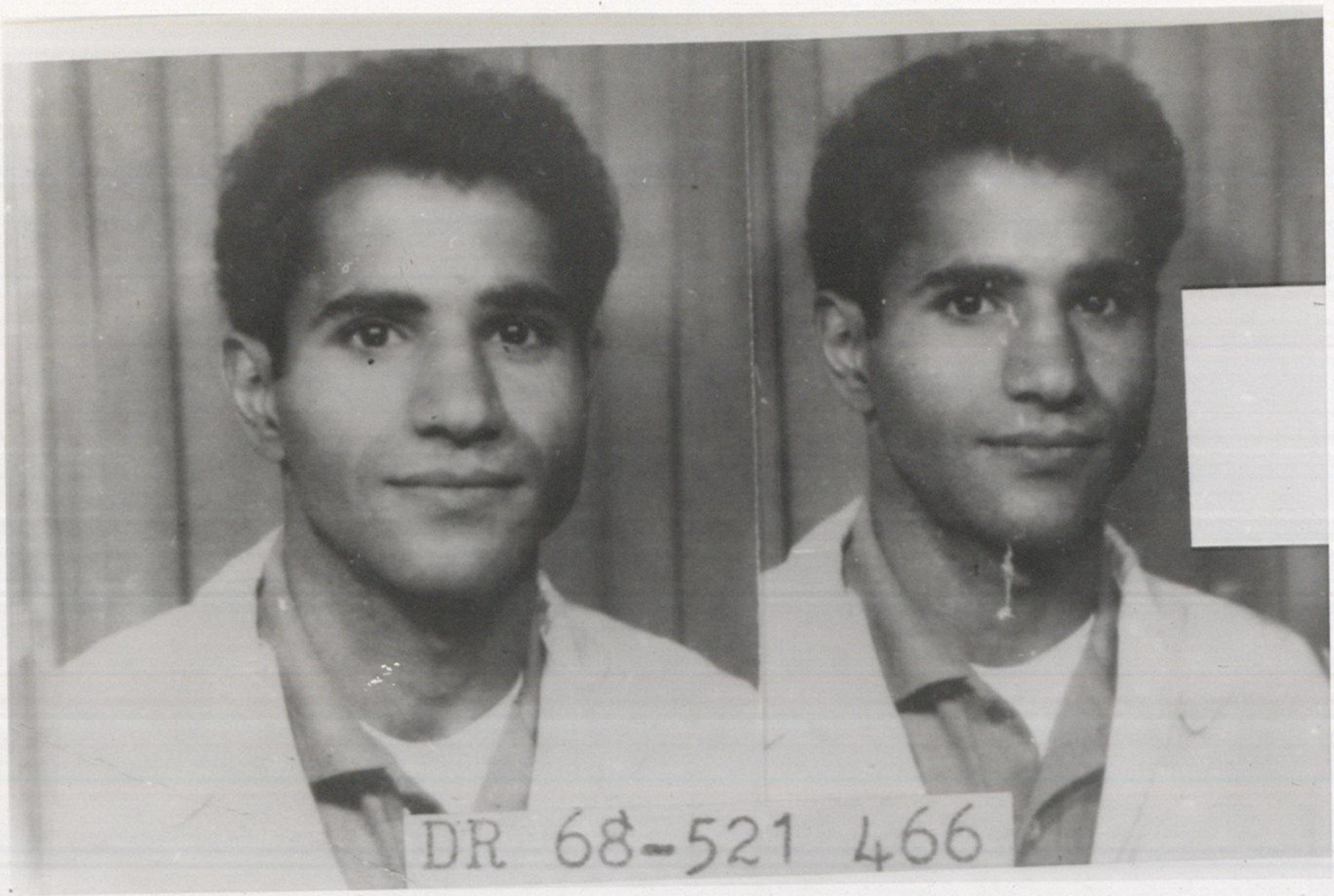

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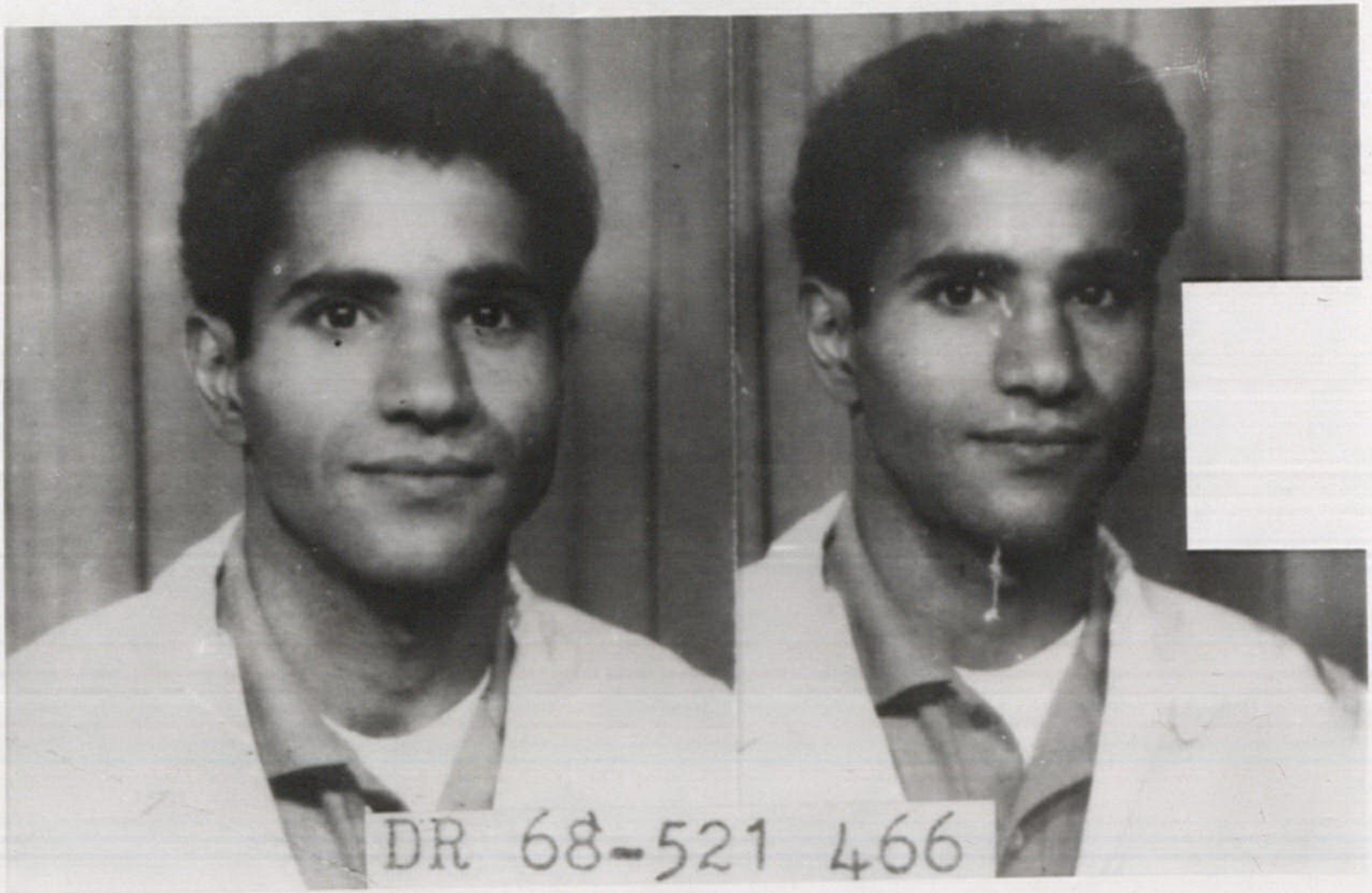

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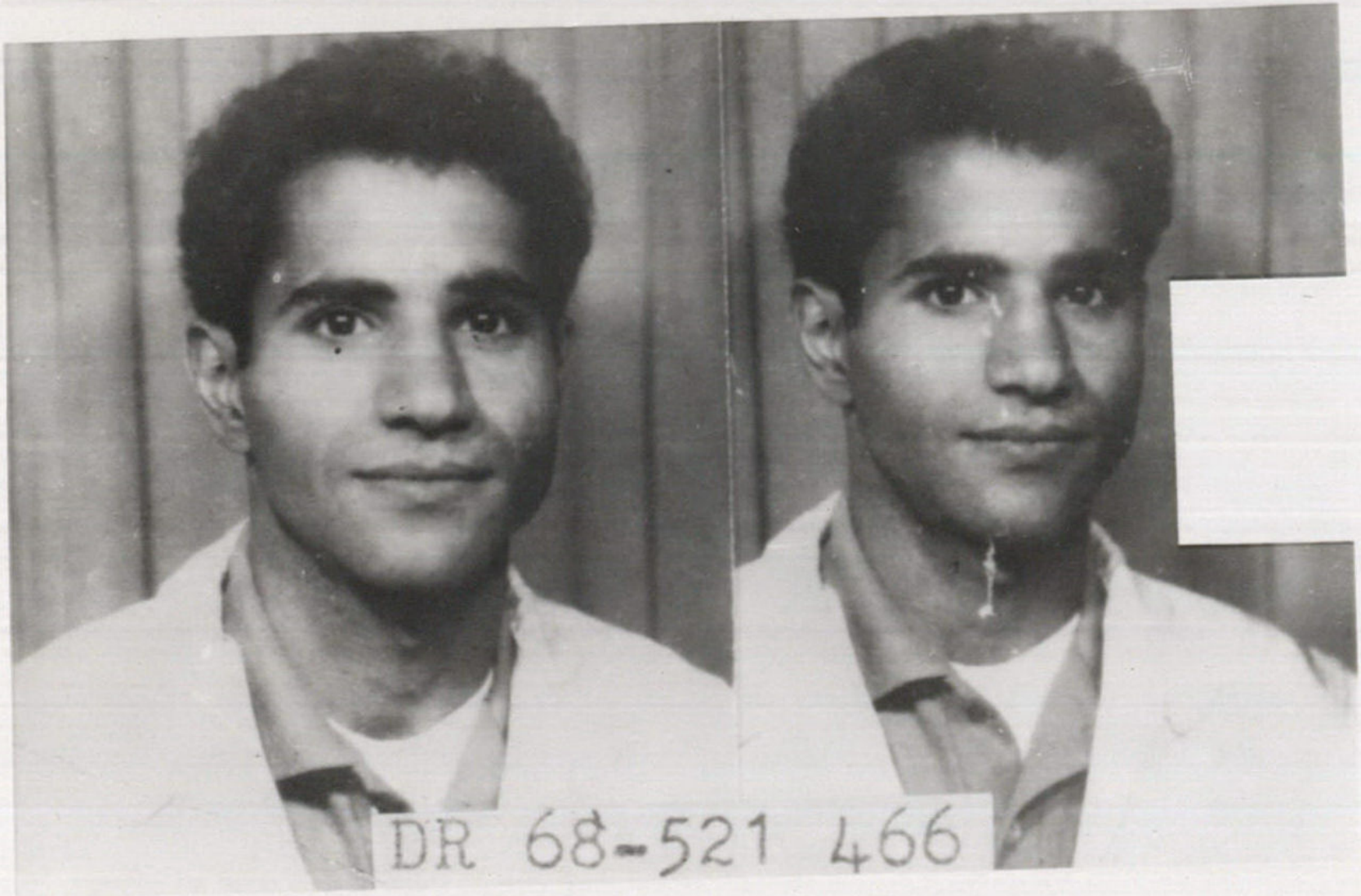

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TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY,
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, JUNE FIVE, SIXTY-EIGHT.

RE BUREAU TEL TODAY CAPTIONED AS ABOVE. IN ORDER TO FACILITATE HANDLING OF THIS INVESTIGATION THE FOLLOWING CODE NAME SHOULD BE USED IN ALL TELETYPE AND AIRTEL COMMUNICATIONS --- "KENSALT."

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TO ALL SACS R M P

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

R.I. - Wilmette
Peoria - Boyter
SPfld - Dove
Belleville -

KENSALT

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL SACS JUNE FIVE SIXTYEIGHT.

SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, AKA, SHIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN, FORMER EXERCISE BOY SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK, CALIFORNIA, IDENTIFIED AS SENATOR KENNEDY'S ASSAILANT. SIRHAN DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: DATE OF BIRTH [redacted] JERUSALEM, JORDAN, WHITE, MALE, FIVE FEET TWO INCHES TALL, ONE ONE FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES. FIRST NAMES OF FAMILY - FATHER BISHARA, MOTHER MARY, BROTHERS SHARIEF, SAIDALLH, MUNIR, ADEL. LAST KNOWN ADDRESS SIX NINE SIX EAST HOWARD STREET, PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. FAMILY ENTERED US FROM JORDAN IN ONE NINE FIVE SEVEN.

ALL OFICES CHECK INDICES AND MAJOR PDS. SUTEL POSITIVE RESULTS ONLY. ANY INFORMATION BEARING UPON SIRHAN'S ACTIVITIES PRIOR TO INSTANT ASSAULT SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY DEVELOPED AND FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES IMMEDIATELY.

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LIKEWISE SHOULD INFORMATION BE RECEIVED INDICATING ANY CONSPIRATORIAL ASPECTS IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED TO RESOLVE SAME.

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FBI ST LOUIS

543PM

URGENT 6-6-68 LCR

TO DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES, CHICAGO, BOSTON, SPRINGFIELD AND WFO.

FROM ST. LOUIS (44-782)

KENSALT, CR 44-568*

REBUTEL TO ALL SACS, JUNE FIVE LAST.

BO WISE, BARTENDER, ST. LOUIS PLAYBOY CLUB, WHO REQUESTED HIS IDENTITY BE PROTECTED, THIS DATE ADVISED APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS FNU KHALAF, ADA SAM KHALAF, FREQUENTED THE CLUB STATING HE WAS STUDENT AT ST. LOUIS UNIV. MEDICAL SCHOOL WHERE STUDYING TO BE EYE SURGEON. KHALAF INTRO DUCED TO WISE BY ONE DUDLEY DEEDLE, GENERAL CONTRACTOR FROM BELLEVILLE, ILL. WISE STATES SAM IS NOT KHALAF'S FIRST NAME AS REAL NAME IS EXTREMELY LONG AND DIFFICULT TO PRONOUNCE.

AFLTER ABSCENCE OF APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR KHALAF APPEARED AT CLUB IN ST. LOUIS ON EVENING OF JUNE THREE LAST AND STATED HE IS NOW ATTENDING HARVARD LAW SCHOOL AND HAD DURING LAST

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YEAR BEEN TO JORDAN WITH FATHER WHOM HE STATED WAS CONNECTED WITH A CONSULATE OR EMBASSY IN THE UNITED STATES. HE ALSO COMMENTED THAT HE SPENT THREE WEEKS IN JAIL WHILE IN JORDAN. DETAILS NOT REVEALED. KHALAF STATED WOULD BE IN ST. LOUIS SHORT TIME AND WAS LEAVING NIGHT OF JUNE THREE NEXT FOR CHICAGO AND THEN TO CALIF., EXACT LOCATION UNKNOWN. KHALAF PROVIDED NO REASON FOR TRIP, HOWEVER, STATED "SOMETHING BIG IS GOING TO HAPPEN WITHIN THE NEXT THREE DAYS".

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THERE IS NO JORDANIAN CONSULATE IN SLMO, THE NEAREST HONORART CONSULATE BEING HASSAN M. ABDALLAH, SIX ONE TWO N. MICHIGAN, CHICAGO, ILL., TELEPHONE MISSION TWO TWO EIGHT ONE SIX.

THE ST. LOUIS UNIV. STUDENT DIRECTORY FOR SIXTYSEVEN

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SPRINGFIELD AT BELLEVILLE LOCATE DUDLEY DEEDLE, GENERAL CONTRACTOR, BELLEVILLE, ILL., AND INTERVIEW RE ACQUAINTANCE NAMED KHALAF. OBTAIN ALL BACKROUND AND POSSIBLE CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE.

BOSTON AT HARVARD UNIV. DETERMINE IF STUDENT NAMED KHALAF ENROLLED IN LAW SCHOOL AND OBTAIN ALL BACKROUND.

CHICAGO, UACB, GIVE CONSIDERATION TO CONTACTING CONSULATE

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HASSAN M. ABDALLAH, SIX ONE TWO N, MICHIGAN, FOR INFO CONCERNING KHALAF.

WFO AFTER BEING FURNISHED WITH CORRECT FIRST NAME OF KHALAF, CHECK DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR INFO CONCERNING ENTRANCE AND DEPARTURES FROM UNITED STATES.

ST. LOUIS ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND REVIEW RECORDS OF KHALAF AT ST. LOUIS UNIV.

THIS TT ALSO SENT TO LOS ANGELES IN EVENT INVESTIGATION REQUESTED BY THAT OFFICE.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568)

DATE: 6/6/68

FROM : SA JIMMY L. BERTHAY

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Bureau teletype dated 6/5/68.

On 6/6/68, Detective JIMMY JONES, Springfield, Illinois, Police Department, advised a search of records of that department failed to reveal any record identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, aka SHIRHAN BISHARA SHIRHAN, date of birth [redacted]

The above is submitted for record purposes and since information is negative, there is no need to notify the Bureau or Los Angeles per instruction of referenced teletype.

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FBI BOSTON

139PM URGENT 6/7/68 1P PJC

TO DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES, CHICAGO, SPRINGFIELD, WFO

AND ST. LOUIS 44-782

FROM BOSTON

KENSALT: 44-568 CR

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE JUNE SIX LAST

BOSTON INDICES NEGATIVE.

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, HARVARD LAW SCHOOL; HARVARD UNIVERSITY ALUMNI RECORDS OFFICE, AND OFFICIAL HARVARD UNIVERSITY DIRECTORY, ALL CAMBRIDGE, MASS., REVEAL NO RECORD OF A CURRENT OR PAST STUDENT OR FACULTY MEMBER HAVING LAST NAME OF KHALAF.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-568) DATE: 6-7-68

FROM : SA JOSEPH L. MC KINSTRAY

SUBJECT: KENSALT
CR

Re St. Louis teletype, 6-6-68.

DUDLEY L. DEEDLE, 100 North 81st Street, Belleville, Illinois, advised about 2½ years ago he met a young Arab at the Steeple Chase Room, Chase Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, and after conversation mentioned that he was going to the Playboy Club, St. Louis, and the young man asked to go along. DEEDLE stated that over the next year he saw this young man fairly frequently at the Playboy Club where he was not admitted as a member but was allowed to use the facilities on a cash basis. He stated he knew the man only as "Sammie" but furnished ~~displayed~~ a business card given to him by the man which bore the name SAMIR M. KHALAF, A.S.P., St. Louis University, 3630 West Pine Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri 63108.

He stated he enjoyed conversations with this young man who stated that his father was Consul General or Ambassador from his country to the United States and indicated that the family lived in Washington, D. C. and that he had a sister there also. DEEDLE stated that the man was a "little windy" and he looked up the name of the real ambassador from the country, not specifically recalled, and believed the real ambassador's name was FARHAN.

He stated the young man quit coming to the Playboy Club about 1½ years ago and he has not seen him since. The man gave the impression that he was in the Army Reserve or some similar organization in his own country and might have to serve in the Armed Forces and he assumed he had returned to his country during the Arab-Israli conflict.

The young man had no automobile and was described as white, male, 21 or 22, 5'8", slender build, olive complexion, black hair, clean shaven. He spoke fast and spoke fairly good

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English but with an accent. He also indicated he was engaged to a girl believed also from the Middle East, possibly residing in Washington, D. C., and commented that he had made one or more trips to Jordan or Arabia during DEEDLE's acquaintance with him. He was always well dressed and claimed that his father owned some supermarkets in Ohio, probably Akron.

DEEDLE stated he gave the man a ride to his dormitory on two occasions and he got out at the St. Louis University dormitory on the south side of the street one block south of Lindell and halfway between Spring and Grand Avenue and claimed to be a student at St. Louis University but did not mention what course he was taking.

DEEDLE stated KHALAF did not discuss politics to any degree but occasionally expressed a distaste for NASSER but was generally complimentary toward American officials and claimed he had met a lot of prominent people in Washington, D. C. due to his father's position.

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FBI CHICAGO

FBI WASH DC

508PM PM URGENT 6/7/68 WPK

TO ALL SACS R M P

FROM DIRECTOR (62-587) 1P

KENSALT

REVIEW OF MATERIAL FOUND IN ROOM OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, ASSAILANT OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY, INDICATES HE MAY HAVE USED THE ALIAS "GHATTAS." MAKE APPROPRIATE INDICIES AND CRIMINAL CHECKS. SUTEL POSITIVE INFORMATION. NO RECORD BUFILES.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI; SAC, LOS ANGELES; SAC CHICAGO; SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-782); SAC, CLEVELAND; AND WFO

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568)

KENSALT; CR

RE SAMIR M. KHALAF.

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE DATED JUNE SIX LAST.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF CLEVELAND, BO WISE, BARTENDER, ST. LOUIS PLAYBOY CLUB, WHO REQUESTED HIS IDENTITY BE PROTECTED, THIS DATE ADVISED APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR AGO INDIVIDUAL KNOWN AS FNU KHALAF, AKA SAM KHALAF, FREQUENTED THE CLUB STATING HE WAS STUDENT AT ST. LOUIS UNIV. MEDICAL SCHOOL WHERE STUDYING TO BE EYE SURGEON. KHALAF INTRODUCED TO WISE BY ONE DUDLEY DEEDLE, GENERAL CONTRACTOR FROM BELLEVILLE, ILL. WISE STATES SAM IS NOT KHALAF'S FIRST NAME AS REAL NAME IS EXTREMELY LONG AND DIFFICULT TO PRONOUNCE.

AFTER ABSENCE OF APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR KHALAF APPEARED AT CLUB IN ST. LOUIS ON EVENING OF JUNE THREE LAST AND STATED HE IS NOW ATTENDING HARVARD LAW SCHOOL AND HAD DURING LAST YEAR BEEN TO JORDAN WITH FATHER WHOM HE STATED WAS CONNECTED

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THE ST. LOUIS UNIV. STUDENT DIRECTOR FOR SIXTY SEVEN

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ON JUNE SEVEN INSTANT DEEDLE ADVISED ABOUT TWO AND ONE HALF YEARS AGO HE MET A YOUNG ARAB AT THE STEEPLE CHASE ROOM, CHASE PARK PLAZA HOTEL, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, AND AFTER CONVERSATION MENTIONED THAT HE WAS GOING TO THE PLAYBOY CLUB, ST. LOUIS, AND THE YOUNG MAN ASKED TO GO ALONG. DEEDLE STATED THAT OVER THE NEXT YEAR HE SAW THIS YOUNG MAN FAIRLY FREQUENTLY AT THE PLAYBOY CLUB WHERE HE WAS NOT ADMITTED AS A MEMBER BUT WAS ALLOWED TO USE THE FACILITIES ON A CASH BASIS. HE STATED

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HE KNEW THE MAN ONLY AS "SAMMIE" BUT DISPLAYED A BUSINESS CARD GIVEN TO HIM BY THE MAN, WHICH BORE THE NAME SAMIR M. KHALAF, A.S.P., ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY, THREE SIX THREE ZERO WEST PINE BOULEVARD, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, SIX THREE ONE ZERO EIGHT.

HE STATED HE ENJOYED CONVERSATIONS WITH THIS YOUNG MAN WHO STATED THAT HIS FATHER WAS CONSUL GENERAL OR AMBASSADOR FROM HIS COUNTRY TO THE UNITED STATES AND INDICATED THAT THE FAMILY LIVED IN WASHINGTON D. C. AND THAT HE HAD A SISTER THERE ALSO. DEEDLE STATED THAT THE MAN WAS A "LITTLE WINDY" AND HE LOOKED UP THE NAME OF THE REAL AMBASSADOR FROM THE COUNTRY, NO SPECIFICALLY RECALLED, AND BELIEVED THE REAL AMBASSADOR'S NAME WAS FARHAN.

HE STATED THAT THE YOUNG MAN QUIT COMING TO THE PLAYBOY CLUB ABOUT ONE AND ONE HALF YEARS AGO, AND HE HAS NOT SEEN HIM SINCE. THE MAN GAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT HE WAS IN THE ARMY RESERVE OR SOME SIMILAR ORGANIZATION IN HIS OWN COUNTRY AND MIGHT HAVE TO SERVE IN THE ARMED FORCES, AND HE ASSUMED HE HAD RETURNED TO THIS COUNTRY DURING THE ARAB-ISRALI CONFLICT.

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THE YOUNG MAN HAD NO AUTOMOBILE AND WAS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, TWENTY ONE OR TWENTY TWO, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, SLENDER BUILD, OLIVE COMPLEXION, BLACK HAIR, AND CLEAN SHAVEN. HE SPOKE FAST AND SPOKE FAIRLY GOOD ENGLISH BUT WITH AN ACCENT. HE ALSO INDICATED HE WAS ENGAGED TO A GIRL BELIEVED ASSO" FROM THE MIDDLE EAST, POSSIBLY RESIDING IN WASHINGTON, D. C., AND COMMENTED THAT HE HAD MADE ONE OR MORE TRIPS TO JORDAN OR ARABIA DURING DEEDLE'S ACQUAINTANCE WITH HIM. HE WAS ALWAYS WELL DRESSED AND CLAIMED THAT HIS FATHER OWNED SOME SUPERMARKETS IN OHIO, PROBABLY AKRON.

DEEDLE STATED HE GAVE THE MAN A RIDE TO HIS DORMITORY ON TWO OCCASIONS, AND HE GOT OUT AT THE ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY DORMITORY ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE STREET ONE BLOCK SOUTH OF LINDELL AND HALFWAY BETWEEN SPRING AND GRAND AVENUE AND CLAIMED TO BE A STUDENT AT ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY BUT DID NOT MENTION WHAT COURSE HE WAS TAKING.

DEEDLE STATED KHALAF DID NOT DISCUSS POLITICS TO ANY DEGREE BUT OCCASIONALLY EXPRESSED A DISTASTE FOR NASSER BUT WAS GENERALLY COMPLIMENTARY TOWARD AMERICAN OFFICIALS AND

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CLAIMED HE HAD MET A LOT OF PROMINENT PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON, D. C. DUE TO HIS FATHER'S POSITION.

CLEVELAND DIVISION AT AKRON ATTEMPT TO VERIFY KHALAF's CLAIM OF FATHER'S BUSINESS INTEREST IN AKRON, OHIO IN AN EFFORT TO LOCATE KHALAF.

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TELETYPE URGENT

TO DIRECTOR, WASHINGTON FIELD AND LOS ANGELES.

FROM CLEVELAND (175-16)

KINSALT: CR. 44-528*

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR THIS DATE.

AKRON, OHIO, CITY DIRECTORY NINETEEN SIXTYTWO-SIXTYTHREE EDITION LIST FARAJ D. KHALAF; WIFE ALICE S. KHALAF AND FATIN F. KHALAF; SAMIR F. KHALAF AT ADDRESS TWO TWO ONE PARKWAY. NO OCCUPATIONS LISTED FOR ABOVE INDIVIDUALS EXCEPT SAMIR F. WHO WAS LISTED AS STUDENT. NO OTHER REFERENCES ON ABOVE FROM NINETEEN FIFTY-EIGHT THROUGH CURRENT EDITION OF CITY DIRECTORY.

CLEVELAND WILL CONDUCT CREDIT CHECK SIX EIGHT NEXT RE CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF KHALAF FAMILY.

AIR MAIL COPIES MAILED TO CHICAGO, SPRINGFIELD, AND ST. LOUIS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAS SPRINGFIELD (44-568) DATE: June 6,1968

FROM : SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE

SUBJECT: KENSALT

On this date MARY KROPP, Identification Division, Rock Island Illinois advised that the files of the Rock Island Police Department contain no record of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan aka Shirhan Bishara Shirhan.

On June 5,1968 WES COOPER, Milan Ill. was contacted, he has heard no information or no indivation of racial problems in Rock Islsnd.

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TELETYPE URGENT

TO DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES, AND WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

FROM CLEVELAND (175-16)

KEN SALT; CR. 44-568*

RE SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE, DATED JUNE SEVEN LAST, AND CLEVELAND TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND WASHINGTON FIELD, DATED JUNE SEVEN LAST.

RE SAMIR M. KHALAF

AKRON, OHIO, CITY DIRECTORY, NINETEEN SIXTYTWO DASH SIXTYTHREE EDITION, LISTS FARAJ D. KHALAF, WIFE, ALICE S.; FATIN F.; AND SAMIR F. KHALAF AT ADDRESS TWO TWO ONE PARKWAY. NO OCCUPATIONS LISTED, EXCEPT FOR SAMIR, WHO WAS LISTED AS STUDENT.

AKRON CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS NEGATIVE ON FARAJ KHALAF, WIFE, ALICE, AND FATIN F. RECORDS LIST A SAMIR J. KHALAF, CURRENT AGE ABOUT THIRTY, FORMERLY RESIDING TWO TWO ONE PARKWAY, BUT MOVED TO SIX FIVE THREE GRAND AVENUE, APARTMENT

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C, SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA IN SEPTEMBER, SIXTYFOUR, AND WAS EMPLOYED WITH C. F. BROWN AND COMPANY, ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA.

CREDIT RECORDS ALSO LIST A FAROUK D. KHALAF, AND WIFE, NANCY, FORMERLY OF TWO TWO SEVEN ZERO WINTER PARKWAY, CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO, CURRENTLY RESIDING ONE TWO THREE SEVEN TWO MANLEY STREET, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA.

LOS ANGELES WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTACT SAMIR J. KHALAF AND FAROUK D, KHALAF REGARDING WHEREABOUTS OF SAMIR M. KHALAF.

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9:18PM URGENT 6-10-68 REF

TO DIRECTOR (56-587), SPRINGFIELD (44-568), ST. LOUIS,

CLEVELAND(175-16) AND WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM LOS ANGELES (56-156) 4P

KENSALT.

RE SPRINGFIELD TEL, JUNE SEVEN LAST; CLEVELAND TEL TO BUREAU, WASHINGTON FIELD, JUNE SEVEN LAST; AND CLEVELAND TEL TO BUREAU, JUNE EIGHT LAST.

RE SAMIR M. KHALAF.

SAMIR J. KHALAF WAS INTERVIEWED AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT C. J. BRAUN AND COMPANY, ONE THOUSAND SOUTH VERMONT, ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA, INSTANT DATE AT WHICH TIME HE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

FARAJ D. KHALAF AND ALICE S. KHALAF ARE HIS MOTHER AND FATHER. FATIN F. KHALAF IS HIS SISTER. THESE INDIVIDUALS REFERRED TO IN CLEVELAND TEL TO BUREAU, JUNE SEVEN LAST.

SAMIR J. KHALAF ADVISED THAT IN ADDITION TO HIS FATHER, MOTHER AND SISTER RESIDING IN THE UNITED STATES ARE FAROUK D. KHALAF, WHO FORMERLY RESIDED AT ONE TWO THREE SEVEN END

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MANLEY STREET, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, BUT WHO IN MARCH, SIXTY EIGHT, RETURNED TO CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO, WHERE HIS BROTHER RESUMED EMPLOYMENT WITH A FORMER EMPLOYER, BABCOCK AND WILCOX COMPANY, WHO HAVE OFFICES IN EITHER BARBERTON OR AKRON, OHIO.

SAMIR KHALAF FURTHER RELATED HE HAS A BROTHER FAIZ F. KHALAF, AGE THIRTY TWO, WHO IS LIVING WITH HIS BROTHER FAROUK KHALAF IN CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO, THE EXACT ADDRESS UNKNOWN, BUT BELIEVED TO BE ON PARKWAY.

SAMIR KHALAF ADVISED ONE OTHER BROTHER, HUSSAM F. KHALAF, IS RESIDING WITH HIM, HIS FATHER, HIS MOTHER, HIS SISTER, WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN AT ONE ONE FIVE ZERO THREE SOUTH FIRESIDE, WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA.

SAMIR KHALAF RELATED THAT HE ENTERED THE U. S. ON AUGUST SIX OR SEVEN, FIFTY NINE, AT THE PORT IN NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. HE WENT TO AKRON, OHIO, WHERE OLDER BROTHER FAROUK D. KHALAF RESIDING.

SAMIR KHALAF ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON UNTIL HE GRADUATED IN JUNE, SIXTY FOUR, OBTAINING A DEGREE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING.

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IN SEPTEMBER, SIXTY FOUR, SAMIR KHALAF MOVED TO CALIFORNIA WHERE HE RESIDED AT SIX FIVE THREE GRAND AVENUE, APARTMENT C, SOUTH PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. HE THEN MOVED TO ONE ONE TWO ONE EAST GLENDON WAY, ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA, FROM MAY, SIXTY SIX, TO DECEMBER, SIXTY SIX.

ON JANUARY ONE, SIXTY SEVEN, HE MOVED TO HIS CURRENT RESIDENCE AND HAS BEEN THERE SINCE THAT TIME. SAMIR KHALAF ADVISED HE NEVER KNEW ANYONE IN AKRON BY THE LAST NAME OF KHALAF, WHO OPERATED A SUPERMARKET OR A CHAIN OF SUPERMARKETS. KHALAF RELATED BROTHER RESIDING WITH HIM, AGE TWENTY THREE, ATTENDING FULLERTON JUNIOR COLLEGE, FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, AND HAS NOT LEFT LOS ANGELES AREA SINCE ARRIVING LOS ANGELES IN APPROXIMATELY JANUARY, SIXTY SEVEN.

SAMIR KHALAF ADVISED HE HAS ONLY BEEN IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, WHILE PASSING THROUGH FROM AKRON, OHIO, EN ROUTE TO CALIFORNIA, NEVER HAVING LIVED THERE OR SPENT ANY PERIOD OF TIME THERE. HE RELATED THAT ON THE NIGHT OF JUNE THREE LAST, HE HAD WORKED AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT WHERE HE IS A SENIOR ENGINEER IN DATA PROCESSING FROM EIGHT AM UNTIL THREE PM. HE WENT DIRECTLY TO CALIFORNIA STATE COLLEGE AT LOS ANGELES

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FROM WORK WHERE HE TOOK A TEST. HE IS A GRADUATE STUDENT AT THE ABOVE COLLEGE.

ON JUNE FOUR, LAST, HE TOOK OFF FROM WORK TO STUDY FOR A FINAL EXAM WHICH HE TOOK ON THE EVENING OF JUNE FOUR LAST FROM SIX TO NINE PM.

SAMIR J. KHALAF DESCRIBED AS AGE THIRTY; BROWN HAIR, CLOSE CROPPED, TOUCHES OF GRAY ON SIDE; BROWN EYES; FIVE FEET NINE INCHES; ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY POUNDS; STOCKY BUILD; AND ONE HALF INCH DIAMETER SCAR ON LEFT CHEEK.

UPON INTERVIEW WITH SAMIR J. KHALAF, IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT HE IS IDENTICAL TO SAMIR M. KHALAF, REFERRED TO IN SPRINGFIELD TEL TO BUREAU, JUNE SEVEN LAST.

CLEVELAND SHOULD ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN A KHALAF FAMILY WHO HAS SUPERMARKETS IN OHIO.

ST. LOUIS SHOULD RECONTACT BO WISE, BARTENDER, ST. LOUIS PLAYBOY CLUB, FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING SAMIR M. KHALAF AND SHOULD ALSO REVIEW THE RECORDS OF ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL FOR ANY RECORD OF SAMIR M. KHALAF HAVING ATTENDED THAT UNIVERSITY.

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TELETYPE URGENT

TO DIRECTOR (56-587), LOS ANGELES (56-156), AND ST. LOUIS

FROM CLEVELAND (175-16)

KENSALT

RE LOS ANGELES TEL JUNE TEN, LAST.

MR. LEO MINTZ, MANAGER AND VICE PRESIDENT OF SHAMIE PUBLICATIONS, ENGINEERS BUILDING, CLEVELAND, OHIO, WHICH COMPANY PUBLISHES THE GROCERS BEACON, GROCERS SPOT LIGHT AND FOOD MART NEWS ADVISED THAT THEY SEND ALL THE ABOVE PUBLICATIONS TO ALL SUPERMARKETS AND GROCERS IN OHIO. MINTZ STATED DURING LAST TEN YEARS NAME KHALAF HAS NEVER COME TO HIS ATTENTION AS BEING AFFILIATED WITH SUPERMARKETS OR GROCERY STORES IN OHIO. E. HIEL, PERSONNEL DIRECTOR, PICK N' PAY SUPERMARKETS, CLEVELAND, OHIO, R. W. APPLE, VICE PRESIDENT, ACME FOODS SUPERMARKETS, AKRON, OHIO, AND WALTER DANNEMILLER, PRESIDENT, BETSY ROSS FOODS STORES, AKRON, OHIO, ALL ADVISED UNFAMILIAR WITH NAME KHALAF AS BEING AFFILIATED WITH SUPERMARKETS OR GROCERY STORES IN NORTHERN OHIO.

AIRMAIL COPY FURNISHED SPRINGFIELD.

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SAC Springfield (100-8974) 6-5-68

SA Elias Williams, Jr.

CHARLES GREGORY BEDNARZ
SM-C; RM BM

OO: SI

In light of the attempted assassination of Senator ROBERT KENNEDY on 6-5-68 in Los Angeles, Calif., the subjects presence and whereabouts were verified by the writer on 6-5-68. The subject continues to reside at 808 NE Perry st., Peoria, Ill. and is still convalescing from his accident at Hopedale, Ill.

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On 6/5/68 Sgt. Norman Bretmeyer advised that Calvert has a Beretta in Dinkle 38 and has left town with two others.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ALBANY

DATE: 6/14/68

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT 44-568*

On 6/13/68, Bureau authority granted to furnish all continental offices with a photograph of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN to assist in covering leads.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568) DATE: 6/17/68

FROM : SA C. DONALD BAXTER

SUBJECT: KENSALT

On 6/6/68 SHARON HANSON, Records Clerk, Peoria Police Department, Peoria, Illinois, advised that they have no record identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, aka Shirhan Bishara Shirhan.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568) -P- DATE: 6/18/68

FROM : IC WAYNE E. LOWE

SUBJECT: KENSALT

The following individuals were contacted at their respective police departments and each advised they could locate no arrest record identifiable with SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, aka Shirhan Bishara Shirhan on 6/8/68.

HELEN HELFRICH, secretary, Belleville, Illinois Police Department.

Lieutenant WILLIAM JOHNSON, East St. Louis, Illinois Police Department.

NADINE HARRISON, secretary, Granite City, Illinois Police Department.

O. CIGLIANA, Chief, Collinsville, Illinois Police Department.

RALPH CANTY, Deputy, Sinclair County Sheriff's Office, Belleville, Illinois.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568) P.

SUBJECT: KENSALT

(OO: LA)

Re telephone calls between SA JOSEPH L. MC KINSTRAY Belleville, Illinois and SA SPURGEON PETERSON, St. Louis, Missouri, 6/12 and 13/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau is a Xerox copy of a business card in the name SAMIR M. KHALAF furnished by DUDLEY L. DEEDLE, Belleville, Illinois, who stated the card was given to him by an individual he met in St. Louis, Missouri, about 2½ years ago and whom he saw at the Playboy Club, St. Louis, on several occasions. DEEDLE advised that "FARHAN" was done by him on this card after he attempted to determine the name of the real ambassador or counsel general to the United States from the country this individual claimed he was from after the individual claimed his father held one of those positions.

This is being furnished the Bureau in the event it is necessary to determine the correct letter indicated by first symbol of the individual's name on the card and by the middle symbol of the three letters under his name which appear to be the letter "S".

On 6/12/68, a copy of a photograph of ABDELAZIZ YOUSIF KHALAF, born [redacted] Saudi, Arabia (Hayel), was shown to DUDLEY L. DEEDLE, 100 North 81st Street, Belleville, Illinois,

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who was acquainted with the individual giving the name SAMIR M. KHALAF. DEEDLE advised that due to the quality of the photograph he could not definitely state whether or not it is the person with whom he was acquainted. He advised he now recalled that this person claimed to have just become 21 prior to their first meeting 2 years ago and claimed to be studying to be an eye doctor at St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri.

DEEDLE advised that the name appearing on the card furnished by the individual apparently was not his full name as during conversation he had spoken his full name which was lengthy but due to his rapid speech and accent, DEEDLE was unable to recall the name.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC SPRINGFIELD 44- DATE: 6/6/68

FROM : SA CONNELLEY

SUBJECT: SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY
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On 6/5/68 RAYMOND ANDERSON, 1822 ~~Sixth Ave~~ 15 th Ave., Moline, Ill. contacted the Rock Island RA and said that he had been to TurnStyle Department store, Moline, Ill., ~~xxxxxx~~ on Sunday afternoon, 6/2/68 and saw two young men standing at the gun counter looking at a ~~xxxxx~~ small pistol. He said that one of the men looked like the man that shot KENNEDY.

On 6/5/68 TOM KOURIS and JAMES JACKSON, gun counter employees of TURNSTYLE said that they sold three guns Sunday afternoon. A .22 pistol was sold to a RONALD HAYES, 2341 34 th street. KOURIS ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ knows HAYES. Two .38 caliber pistols were sold to the following R.G. BRUNING, Viola, Ill and JOHN THOMBLOOM, 2115 3rd st.B, E.M. Neither KOURIS or JACKSON recall anyone ~~xxxxx~~ susspicious looking at the pistols and does not recall two individuals at the gun counter on Sunday afternoon.

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AIRTEL AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, ALBANY

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT 44-5688

Re Butel to Phoenix dated 6/20/68.

Pursuant to Bureau instructions, this is a criminal investigation and as such, unless unusual circumstances prevail, results should be forwarded on 302 Form for inclusion in investigating report by Los Angeles.

Los Angeles prepares 30 copies of each report in this matter. Each office should either forward stencils to Los Angeles, in which case an original 302 will be returned, or forward 30 copies of respective FD-302.

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TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) DATE: 7/1/68

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Los Angeles airtel to Albany, dated 6/24/68.

Enclosed are thirty copies each of FD-302s reflecting interview of DUDLEY L. DEEDLE on 6/7/68 and 6/12/68.

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DUDLEY L. DEEDLE, 100 North 81st Street, advised about two and one-half years ago he met a young Arab at the Steeple Chase Room, Chase Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, and after conversation, mentioned that he was going to the Playboy Club, St. Louis, and the young man asked to go along. DEEDLE stated that over the next year he saw this young man fairly frequently at the Playboy Club where he was not admitted as a member, but was allowed to use the facilities on a cash basis. He stated he knew the man only as "Sammie" but furnished a business card given to him by the man which bore the name SAMIR M. KHALAF, A.S.P., St. Louis University, 3630 West Pine Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri, 63108.

He stated he enjoyed conversations with this young man who stated that his father was Consul General or Ambassador from his country to the United States and indicated that the family lived in Washington, D. C., and that he had a sister there also. DEEDLE stated that the man was a "little windy" and he looked up the name of the real ambassador from the country, not specifically recalled, and believed the real ambassador's name was FARHAN.

He stated the young man quit coming to the Playboy Club about one and one-half years ago and he has not seen him since. The man gave the impression that he was in the Army Reserve or some similar organization in his own country and might have to serve in the Armed Forces and he assumed he had returned to his country during the Arab-Israli conflict.

The young man had no automobile and was described as white male, 21 or 22, 5 feet 8 inches, slender build, olive complexion, black hair, clean shaven. He spoke fast and spoke fairly good English but with an accent. He also indicated he was engaged to a girl believed also from the Middle East, possibly residing in Washington, D. C., and commented that he had made one or more trips to Jordan or Arabia during DEEDLE's acquaintance with him. He was always well dressed and claimed that his father owned some supermarkets in Ohio, probably Akron.

On 6/7/68 at Belleville, Illinois File# SI 44-568-24

by SA JOSEPH L. MC KINSTRAY /epp Date dictated 6/13/68

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DEEDLE stated he gave the man a ride to his dormitory on two occasions and he got out at the St. Louis University dormitory on the south side of the street one block south of Lindell and halfway between Spring and Grand Avenue and claimed to be a student at St. Louis University but did not mention what course he was taking.

DEEDLE stated KHALAF did not discuss politics to any degree but occasionally expressed a distaste for NASSER but was generally complimentary toward American officials and claimed he had met a lot of prominent people in Washington, D. C., due to his father's position.

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A copy of a photograph of ABDELAZIZ YOUSIF KHALAF, born August 19, 1947, Saudi, Arabia (Hayel), was shown to DUDLEY L. DEEDLE, 100 North 81st Street, Belleville, Illinois, who was acquainted with the individual giving the name SAMIR M. KHALAF. DEEDLE advised that due to the quality of the photograph he could not definitely state whether or not it is the person with whom he was acquainted. He advised he now reaclled that this person claimed to have just become 21 prior to their first meeting two years ago and claimed to be studying to be an eye doctor at St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri.

DEEDLE advised that the name appearing on the card furnished by the individual apparently was not his full name as during conversation he had spoken his full name which was lengthy but due to his rapid speech and accent, DEEDLE was unable to recall the name.

On 6/12/68 at Belleville, Illinois File# SI 44-568 -20

by SA JOSEPH P. MC KINSTRAY /epp Date dictated 6/13/68

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: 7/30/68

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: KENSALT 44-568 *
(OO: LOS ANGELES)

In connection with current inquiries being conducted into the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy at Los Angeles, California, numerous communications have been received at the Bureau from individual field offices with no copies being designated to the Los Angeles Office, which is office of origin.

In order that the Los Angeles Office may be completely aware of all facets of this investigation; and in order that the office of origin may properly supervise the direction of this investigation, each field division and Legal Attache should insure that copies of all communications dealing with the Kensalt investigation be designated to Los Angeles.

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KENSALT

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Re Springfield letter to Los Angeles 7/1/68.

No further investigation has been conducted at Springfield and Los Angeles has been provided with the results.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD

DATE: 9/16/68

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT 44-568
00: LOS ANGELES

Re: Mrs. H. C. HAYS
(Escort, Greyhound Tours, Chicago)
610 Church St.
Evanston, Illinois
(312) UN 9 1140

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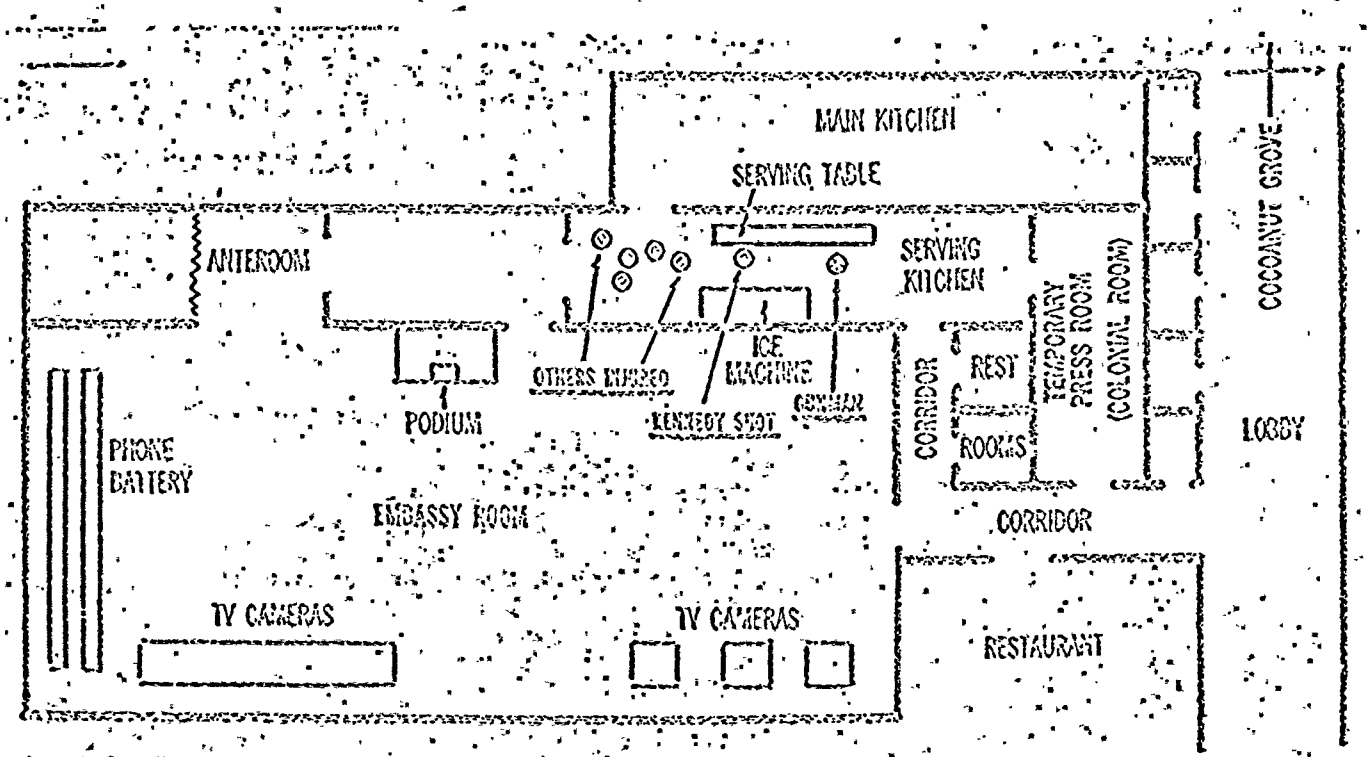

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SAC, CHICAGO 9-23-68

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568)

KENSALT
OO: LOS ANGELES

Re Los Angeles letter to Springfield, 9-16-68, with enclosure, both of which attached for Chicago.

Chicago requested to conduct investigation at Evanston, Illinois.

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1 - Los Angeles (56-156)(Info.)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD

DATE: 10/17/68

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT: KENSALT 44-568
00: LOS ANGELES

RE: Mr. L. MC WHINNEY-O
Coral Valley, Illinois 61240

(Possibly Coal Valley, 61240

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Zip code 61240 is for Coal Valley, R.I. county. No such place as Coral Valley

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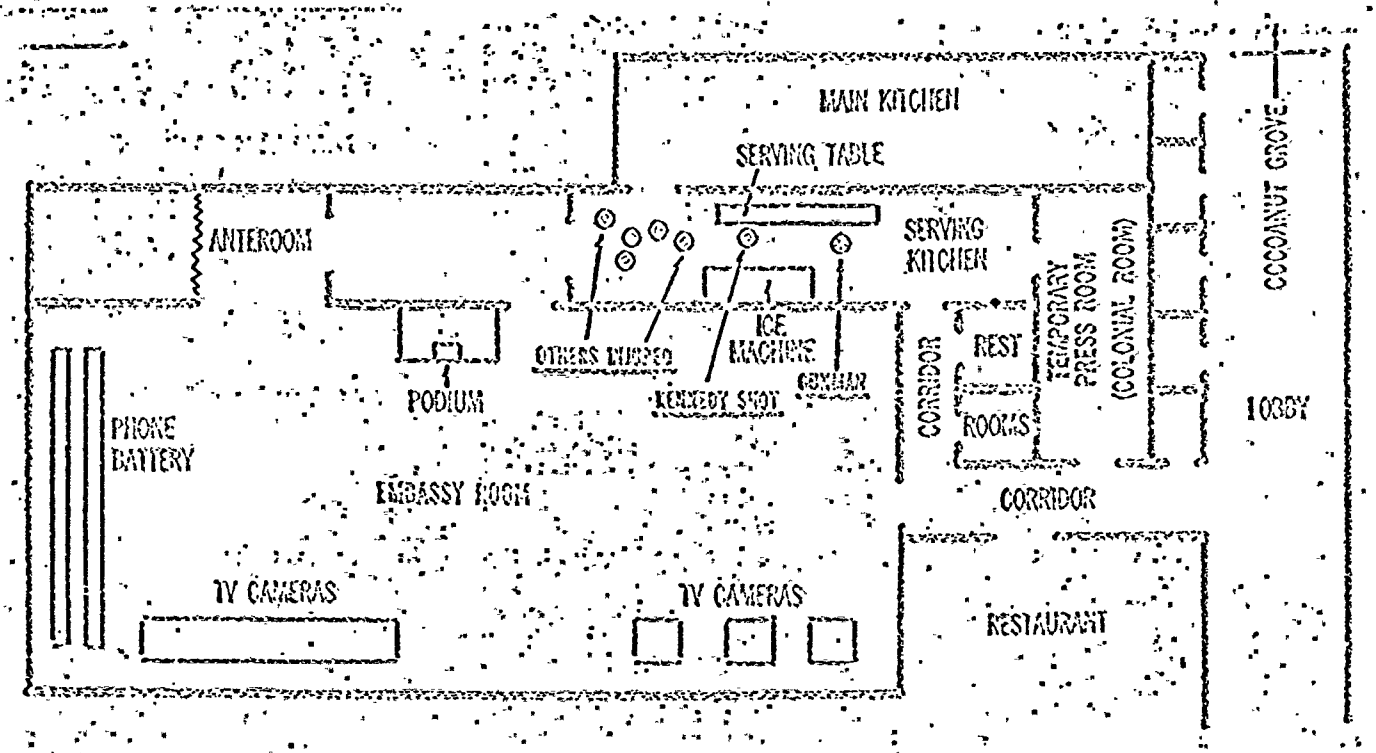

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SAC, CHICAGO 10-24-68

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568)

KENSALT
OO: LOS ANGELES

Re Los Angeles letter to Springfield, 10-17-68, requesting investigation re Mr. and Mrs. F. SCHUMACHER, c/o Sunny Decker, Morrison Travel, 4 West 4th Street, Rockford, Illinois.

Copies of relet and enclosures forwarded Chicago inasmuch as Rockford located within that division.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) 11/6/68

SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568) (RUC)

KENSALT
(00: LOS ANGELES)

RE: JAMES C. MC WHINNEY
Coal Valley, Illinois 61240

Re Los Angeles letter to Springfield dated 10/17/68.

It was determined the correct name of the individual at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, on June 4, 1968, was JAMES C. MC WHINNEY instead of L. MC WHINNEY. Correct spelling of the town is Coal Valley, Illinois.

Enclosed are 22 copies of FD-302 as requested.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SPRINGFIELD

DATE: 10/17/68

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT: KENSALT
00: LOS ANGELES

RE: Mr. and Mrs. FLOYD COVERT
c/o VIVIAN THOMAS
Peoria Travel Bureau
433 Main Street
Peoria, Illinois

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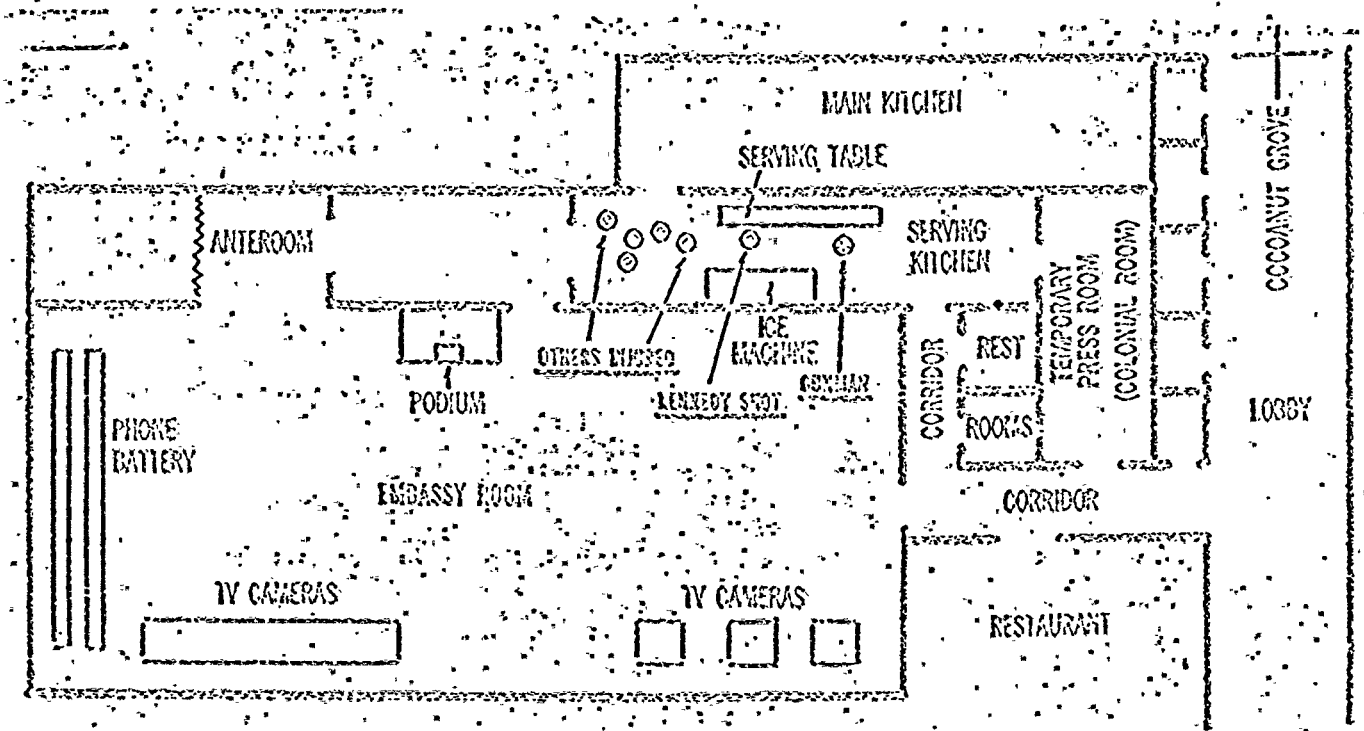

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SAC LOS ANGELES (56-156) 11/6/68

SAC, KANSAS CITY (62-8651) P

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RE: Mrs. AURELIA SMITH
c/o Berry Travel Agency
91 and State Line Drive
Kansas City, Missouri

Re Los Angeles letter to Kansas City, 10/17/68.

Enclosed for the Springfield Division is a copy of referenced letter plus a diagram reflecting a shooting scene for Senator ROBERT KENNEDY in the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, and a photograph of SIHAN B. SIRHAN.

On 11/1/68, TOM DIX, Berry Travel Agency, 1820 West 91 Place, Kansas City, Mo., advised Mrs. AURELIA SMITH is a tour leader for them. He advised she acts as an escort on their tours and that very seldom ever comes to their office in Kansas City, inasmuch as they mail material regarding the tours to her. He advised the address that they have for Mrs. SMITH is c/o Rosedale Farm, Chester, Illinois.

LEAD:

SPRINGFIELD:

AT CHESTER, ILLINOIS:

Will contact Mrs. AURELIA SMITH and conduct the investigation set forth regarding Mrs. SMITH in the enclosed letter from Los Angeles to Kansas City, dated 10/17/68.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY

DATE: 10/17/68

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00: LOS ANGELES

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Los Angeles Times
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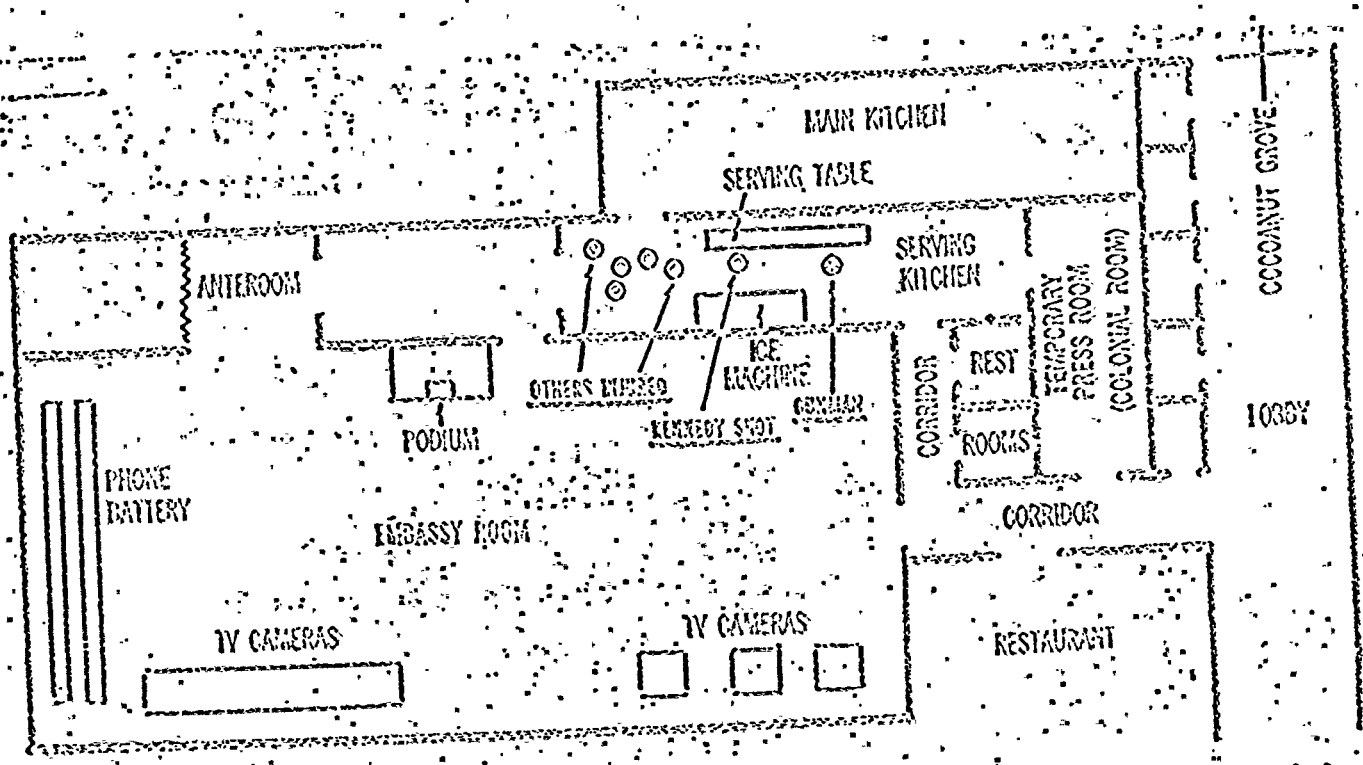

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11/13/68

AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-568) (RUC)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
OO: LOS ANGELES

Re Los Angeles airtel to Springfield dated 10/17/68.

Enclosed are 22 copies of self-explanatory FD-302 concerning interview with Mr. and Mrs. FLOYD COVERT, Peoria, Illinois.

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Date: 11/14/68

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FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT 44-568*
OO: LOS ANGELES

A review of investigation conducted to date in the captioned matter indicates that interviews previously requested by Los Angeles have not been completed. It is requested that all interviews be completed by 11/30/68. If previously submitted, please advise as to date of communication and spelling of name.

Records indicate interviews are still outstanding on the following:

MR. and MRS. FLOYD COVERT

Submitted 11/13/68 airtel

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FD-302 (Rev. 4-15-64)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date November 5, 1968

JAMES C. MC WHINNEY advised he is a bachelor and resides with his brother on a farm near Coal Valley where he assists with the farm work.

Mr. MC WHINNEY explained that for a number of years he has taken tours set up by a Travel Bureau Service to different parts of the United States. In June, 1968, he was on such a tour, which took him to Los Angeles, California, and the group was registered at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles for three days, which included the day that ROBERT F. KENNEDY was assassinated. Mr. MC WHINNEY recalls on the day before the assassination, which would be June 4, 1968, the group went on a tour of the city of Los Angeles. He believes they returned to the hotel around 6:00 P.M. He had dinner and "hung around" the lobby because of the excitement and on two occasions, saw ROBERT KENNEDY. However, the crowd became so large that at approximately 11:00 P.M. he returned to his hotel room, where he went to bed.

Mr. MC WHINNEY observed the photograph of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and stated he did not recall observing him at the Ambassador Hotel while he was there, but added that he probably did see SIRHAN B. SIRHAN because he was wandering around in this crowd before he went to bed. When asked specifically if he did observe SIRHAN B. SIRHAN, he answered, "No, I could not testify to that."

On 10/30/68 at Coal Valley, Illinois File # SI 44-568-41

by SA ROBERT A. WICKWIRE/lmh Date dictated 10/30/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date November 13, 1968

Mr. and Mrs. FLOYD COVERT, 5902 Graceland Avenue, Peoria, Illinois, furnished the following information:

During June, 1968, they joined a Berry Tour Group from Chicago, Illinois and traveled with this group to Los Angeles, California. They checked in at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles for a scheduled two-night stay. However, they were quartered in the Ambassador Cottage rather than in the main Hotel.

On the evening of June 4, 1968, they retired at approximately 10:00 p.m. and were oblivious to what subsequently happened at the hotel. Their daughter, who lives in Davenport, Iowa, telephonically contacted them on the morning following Senator KENNEDY's assassination and initially informed them of his death. Prior to this call, they were unaware of the events that occurred at the Ambassador Hotel or that Senator KENNEDY had been killed.

The COVERTs could not identify a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN and do not remember seeing anyone around the hotel premises resembling SIRHAN.

During their brief stay, the only national figure that they remember seeing in the Ambassador lobby soon after they had checked in was football star ROOSEVELT GREER.

On 11/12/68 at Peoria, Illinois File# SI 44-568-42

by SA ELIAS WILLIAMS /mab Date dictated 11/13/68

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/25/68

Mrs. AURELIA SMITH, Rosedale Farm, Chester, Illinois, was contacted at St. Ann's Home, 770 State St., Chester. She advised she had just returned the previous night from Hawaii. She advised that she was at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California on 6/4/68 with a touring group and that the group had rooms in the Garden Section of the hotel. She advised that there was considerable confusion at the hotel that night due to the political rally for Senator KENNEDY, and due to this she retired about 11:00 PM. She stated that she heard nothing of the shooting until about 7:00 AM the following morning when she heard it on the radio. Mrs. SMITH advised she has followed the matter in the news media since it happened and is familiar with the appearance of SIRHAN B. SIRHAN and cannot recall seeing him in or near the hotel. She advised that she has seen his picture many times in news media.

On 11/25/68 at Chester, Illinois File # 44-568 - 43

by SA Joseph L. McKinstray Date dictated Typed 11/25/68

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SAC, Los Angeles (56-156) 11/25/68

SAC, Springfield (44-568)(RUC)

KENSALT
OO:LA

Re Kansas City letter to Los Angeles 11/6/68.

Enclosed for Los Angeles are 22 copies of FD-302 reflecting interview with Mrs. AURELIA SMITH, Chester, Illinois.

Several efforts were made to contact Mrs. Smith at her address of Rosedale Farm, Chester, Illinois without success. It was determined that whe was with a tour in Hawaii. Mrs. Bernard Cushman, Chester, Illinois, Her sister, advised that Mrs. Smith returned to Chester 11/24/68 and was at St. Ann's Home, Chester.

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OO: Los Angeles

All of the Springfield Division's files in the caption matter are being retained by the Springfield Division in the absence of a specific request from the Los Angeles Division.

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